GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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PURCHASE OF LAND FOR TRIBALS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government propose to provide Rs. 1000 crore for thepurchase of land for landless Tribals in Kerala for rehabilitating them;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the fund likely to be release?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) to (c) Allotment of land to the landless tribals is a `State` subject. The State Govt. hashowever, been advised that the problems of landless tribals may be solved on an urgent basis and in a time bound fashion within the over all purview of the State Legislations on the subject. The Stat Govt. has also been advised to purchase landfrom private and other parties, if so required, for tribals from the SCA to TSP andgrants under Article 275(i) of the Constitution and TSP funds of the State Govt. inthis regard. However, no funds, for this purpose, have been released by this Ministry to the State Govt. of Kerala.